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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Outtrup et al.

Serial No.: 09/382,096

Group Art Unit: 1652

Filed: August 24, 1999

Examiner: Patterson, C.

For: Alkaline Bacillus Amylase

REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

Commissioner for Patents Box RCE Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 of the above identified application.

- 1. Applicants enclose a Response to the Office Action Mailed December 5, 2000 (Paper No. 8).
- Applicants request suspension of action on the above-identified application under 37
 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of three months.
- 3. Applicants request that the time for response to the Office Action dated December 5, 2000 be extended for a period of three months from March 5, 2001 to June 5, 2001. The required fee for the extension is estimated to be \$890.
- 4. Please charge the RCE, extension and suspension fees to Novozymes North America, Inc., Deposit Account No. 50-1701.

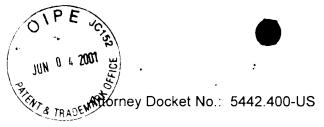
Respectfully submitted,

Date: May 31, 2001

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CERTIFICATE OF MAILING UNDER 37 CFR 1.8(a)

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Sir:

I hereby certify that the attached correspondence comprising:

- 1. Filing of Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 (in duplicate)
- 2. Response to Office Action

is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to:

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